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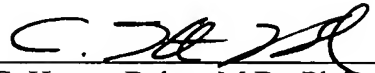
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1. Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 (8 pages);
2. Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1) (1 page);
3. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement including Statement under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98 (4 pages), Form PTO/SB/08 (5 pages), and 29 references cited therein;
4. Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$510.00 for Extension of Time fee (1 page);
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